



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

*The Office of the Governor*  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

*WHEREAS, Idaho is home to more than 155,652 citizens aged 65 years old or older; and*

*WHEREAS, the older citizens of Idaho are representative of an unprecedented trend in the nation's demographic makeup; and*

*WHEREAS, older persons are, as citizens and community members, entitled to lives of dignity and independence, free from the fears, myths and misconceptions about aging; and*

*WHEREAS, all citizens of Idaho benefit when older members of society use their knowledge, vitality and enthusiasm to inspire fundamental community values and ethics; and*

*WHEREAS, as America grows older, each community must strive to understand and address the evolving challenges and needs of our older citizens and the people who care for them; and*

*WHEREAS, our society is dependent upon the nurturing, support, and resources shared between generations, and benefits from our mutual efforts to meet the needs of America's older persons and those who love them;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2004, to be*

**OLDER IDAHOANS MONTH**



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twentieth day of April in the year of our Lord two-thousand and four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fourteenth.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dirk Kempthorne".

DIRK KEMPTHORNE  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Ysursa".

BEN YSURSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE